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## THE RESULTS!

<b>President:</b>	Wayne Richardson	299
	Bruno Shaw	286
<b>Elected 1st Vice President:</b>	Cecil Brown	346
<b>Elected 2nd Vice President:</b>	Ansel E. Talbert	319
<b>Elected 3rd Vice President:</b>	Lawrence G. Blochman	315
	Kathryn Cravens	292
	Charles Robbins	240
	Spencer C. Valmy	154

<b>Secretary:</b>	Will Yolen	305
	Dorothy Omansky	248

<b>Treasurer:</b>	A. Wilfred May	332
	Joseph Willicombe, Jr.	242

### Successful candidates for Board of Governors:

Emanuel Freedman	315
Will Oursler	296
Thomas P. Whitney	296
John Wilhelm	280
Thomas Curran	226
John Luter	212

### Elected as alternates to the Board of Governors:

<b>1st Alternate:</b>	Reavis O'Neal	191
<b>2nd Alternate:</b>	Harold Lavine	185
<b>3rd Alternate:</b>	J. C. Dine	174
<b>4th Alternate:</b>	Elizabeth Fagg	172

Detailed records on all of the above and on additional unsuccessful candidates for the Board of Governors, have been filed in the office of the club where they are available for inspection by members.

*James Sheldon, Chief Teller*

## Wilfred May Gives Treasurer's Report

The Overseas Press Club finished the year ending March 31st with a net income of \$2,098, which placed the club in the black for its first full year in the new memorial quarters.

Wilfred May, secretary-treasurer for the past year and newly re-elected treasurer, reported at the annual meeting that the club surplus has increased from \$56,801 to \$137,640 during the year just finished. His report follows:

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## Louis Lochner Reviews Highly Successful Year

The annual president's report for 1955, given by retiring president Louis P. Lochner at the OPC's annual meeting Monday night at the clubhouse revealed strides made in the organizational set-up of the club, and an outstanding array of events geared to the club's aim of public service and information.

Mr. Lochner mentioned the support the club gave to Dr. Alberto Gainza Paz, in regaining *La Prensa*; its aid in the

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## RICHARDSON NEW PRESIDENT

### Yolen, May, Brown, Talbert, Blochman Also Win

In the annual OPC elections held on April 30, Wayne Richardson was named president in balloting that drew almost 600 ballots—a club record.

Richardson, who had been nominated by petition, defeated the opposition candidate, Bruno Shaw, in a close race by 299 votes to 286 votes.

Some 100 members voted in person at the annual meeting, and the other ballots arrived by mail which was permitted for the first time in this election under the revised constitution.

Tellers, under the direction of James Sheldon and including representatives from groups backing the different candidates, counted until 4 a.m. in the morning before the procedure was completed.

A. Wilfred May was re-elected as treasurer, while Will Yolen was named secretary, Cecil Brown 1st Vice President, Ansel Talbert 2nd Vice President, and Lawrence G. Blochman 3rd Vice president.

The six vacancies on the Board of Governors were won by Emanuel Freedman, Will Oursler, Thomas P. Whitney, John Wilhelm, Thomas Curran and John Luter from among 12 candidates.

Alternates to the Board of Governors named were Reavis O'Neal, Harold Lavine, J.C. Dine, and Elizabeth Fagg.

The meeting, presided over by retiring president Louis Lochner, was one of the most orderly annual meetings members could recall, and was conducted ably and with good humor.

The hospitality committee staged a "bind up the wounds" cocktail party the following evening for victorious and defeated candidates alike and the often tense feelings of the pre-election period were drowned in a wave of good fellowship.



## THE BULLETIN

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### THE OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB

#### Officers and Board

**President:** Louis P. Lochner; **Vice Presidents:** Kathryn Cravens, Ansel E. Talbert, Hal Lehrman; **Secretary-Treasurer:** A. Wilfred May; **Asst. to President:** Will Yolen.

**Board of Governors:** Norwood F. Allman, John Barkham, Seymour Berkson, Lawrence Blochman, Cecil Brown, Emanuel Freedman, Ben Grauer, Ruth Lloyd, Kathleen McLaughlin, Gabriel Pressman, Charles Robbins, Madeline D. Ross, Cornelius Ryan; **Alternates:** Fleur Cowles, Walter Rundle, Helen Zotos.

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### WYTHE WILLIAMS AILING

Founder-president Wythe Williams suffered an insulin shock on the night of the annual election and was hospitalized. He is now home (815 Boulevards, Weehawken, N.J.) but confined to bed.

The annual meeting voted to send its best wishes to Mr. Williams for a speedy recovery.

## COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN RENDER REPORTS

The various committee chairmen who had handled club affairs during the year under retiring president Louis Lochner presented their reports at the annual meeting. They included:

#### Admissions

Kathleen McLaughlin reported that the club now has 1,598 members compared with 1,313 the previous year. Of these, there are 660 resident active members, 360 non-resident active members, 390 resident associate members, 61 non-resident associate members, 76 affiliate members, 23 life members and 9 honorary members. There were 105 members dropped for non-payment of dues. Membership requirements were considerably tightened over the year.

#### Awards

Bruno Shaw reported on the annual presentation of awards and noted that citations for excellence were presented this year for the first time in addition to the regular awards. The committee recommended that balloting on awards be discontinued and another means found for selecting award winners.

#### Awards Dinner

Spencer Valmy said the annual awards dinner broke all records for attendance and lost no money despite extra expenses this year. Total income was \$15,370, and expenses, as near as can be determined at this date, amounted to \$14,054.

#### Bulletin

Dave Murray reported that during the year the Bulletin changed from the old

mimeograph format to the present style which permitted the use of pictures. Costs were increased but it was felt a better and more professional appearance had been made possible. Foreign news was increased and a Club Calendar added as a regular feature. Three Columbia Univ. students have aided with the Bulletin. The addition of a business manager to the Bulletin staff was recommended.

#### House Committee

Wayne Richardson reported that a number of improvements had been made in the club quarters during the year including a renovated bar and purchase of new china, linens and silver for the dining room. The bar netted \$25,289, profit during the year and the dining room \$338, profit. The House committee has recommended that the club be adequately air-conditioned, that a chit system be installed, that changing rooms be provided, and that structural changes be made to the building to permit enlargement of the bar, kitchen and dining room.

#### Radio & TV

Matt Huttner said the club had had the most successful year in its history putting on the spectacular "Dateline II" which with its predecessor, "Dateline I" had netted the club \$152,000 income. A third spectacular is now planned.

#### Placement

Spencer Valmy said a permanent placement service had been established with Janice Robbins in charge. It has offices on the rear fourth floor which will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. three days a week.

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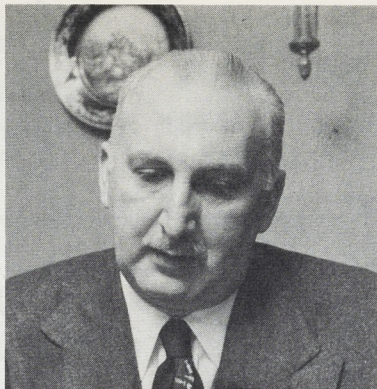
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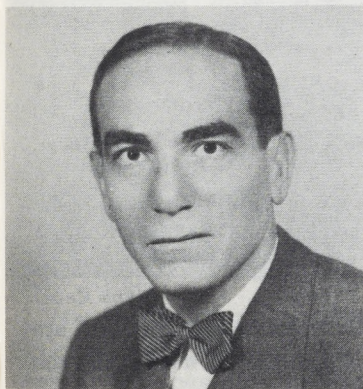
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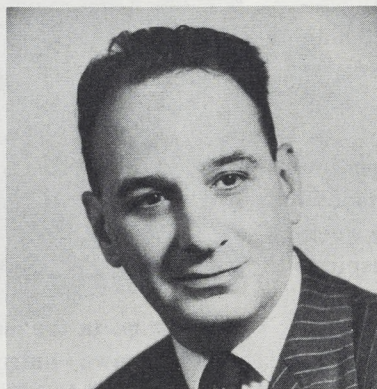
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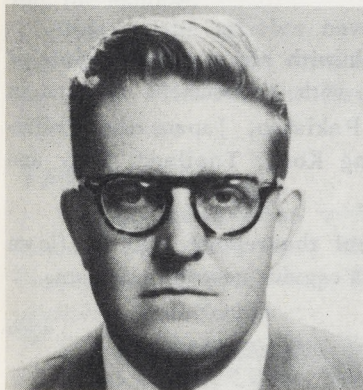
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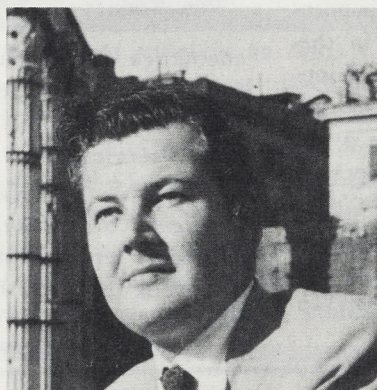
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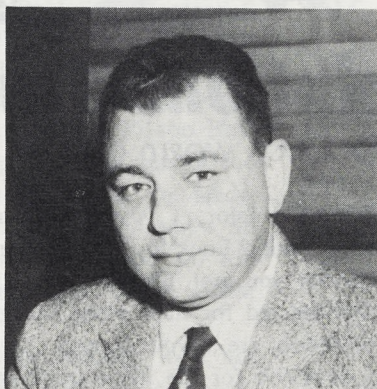


**GOVERNOR**  
**JOHN LUTER**



**ALTERNATE**  
**REAVIS O'NEAL**

Here are the successful candidates. Pictures of ANSEL TALBERT, elected vice president, and J. C. DINE, alternate, were not available at press time.



**ALTERNATE**  
**HAROLD LAVINE**



**ALTERNATE**  
**ELIZABETH FAGG**



# LOCHNER REVIEWS (C't'd from page 1)

liberation of Father Rigney from Chinese imprisonment; the inter-American press conference held last October; the panel discussions on disarmament with Harold Stassen, and on piercing the Iron Curtain with members of the International Federation of Free Journalists. He particularly commented on the success of the dinners arranged to honor foreign countries.

In the internal administration of the club he listed a number of improvements: the changes made by the awards committee in the selection of annual winners; the establishment of an Administration and Organization Committee; the revival of the club's *Who's Who*, after an interval of five years.

The retiring president also commented on the success of the Spectacular TV show "Dateline Two", and the weekly radio show under the club's auspices which is almost ready for production; the establishment of regional chairmen and units by the liaison committee, and the appointment of a committee to revise the constitution, whose work has been largely placed in effect.

"We are now one of the truly important and influential institutions in the realm of journalism", Mr. Lochner pointed out, in commenting that the Memorial Press Center is not only a "home away from home", but represents a membership committed by its constitution to "disseminate democratic principles, achieve international understanding and advance the national welfare" as well as "to



Ann Meuer

At 4 a.m. in the morning, when the results of the close presidential election are made known, outgoing president LOUIS LOCHNER congratulates newly elected president WAYNE RICHARDSON. Wayne, an active newspaperman for 30 years with the Associated Press including service in the Far East as Hongkong bureau chief, is a Polk award winner. He is currently on the AP general news desk in New York.

encourage and maintain the highest standards of independence and professional skill in the American overseas press service."

## NOTES

Henry Gladstone, WOR's news commentator, left last week-end on a flying five-week tour of Europe and the Far East.

He took with him a full schedule of interviews with government leaders in Denmark, Pakistan, Japan, the Philippines, Hong Kong, Thailand, Italy and France.

Tapes of the reports will be flown back for his regular news broadcasts.

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